

AMERICAN ARTIST, PRISONER, VANISHES

Arrested by French at Belle
Isle on Spy Charge; Can-
not Now Be Found.

U. S. EMBASSY INQUIRING

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
PARIS, Nov. 21.—The present whereabouts of Arthur B. Frost, Jr., son of A. B. Frost, the American illustrator, who was arrested at Belle Isle on November 13 as a spy, is a mystery. Mr. Frost and his friend, P. C. Bruce, an American painter of Richmond, Va., had been spending the summer at Belle Isle, according to their habit for several years past, and were well known all over the island.
There is a concentration camp for German prisoners on the island and on the day of their arrest Messrs. Frost and Bruce left their house to witness the arrival of a batch of prisoners. The soldiers at the end of the street allowed the men to pass, but the Colonel commanding the troops, who is also the military governor of the island, ordered them arrested and brought before him for examination. Both men protested against their arrest and Mr. Frost was particularly emphatic in his complaint of their treatment. The governor ordered that he be sent to the gendarmerie and locked up, but released Mr. Bruce.
Mr. Bruce telegraphed to friends in Paris about the plight of Mr. Frost and the American Embassy was notified. The embassy telephoned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at Bordeaux and it was expected that a release order would be forwarded and that Mr. Frost would be released, instead of being sentenced to confinement in the military fortress at Lorient, as was feared.
On November 17 Mr. Frost telegraphed to friends in Paris that he had been released from the military prison at Lorient on provisional liberty that afternoon and that he would return to Belle Isle on Friday. Just what has happened to Frost since is not definitely known, but a despatch from Belle Isle says he was sent back to Lorient. On Saturday he was taken from the gendarmerie to the quay between two gendarmes to take the boat for Lorient. Bruce followed him, but was not allowed to accompany him. He is also unable to go to Lorient to testify, as it is impossible to leave his young wife and son alone on the island.
The American Embassy has received no satisfaction from Bordeaux. A police official called at the embassy yesterday afternoon to verify the details in regard to Mr. Frost's passports on the basis of a telegram from Lorient. Secretary Bliss of the embassy told the police agent that he would assume responsibility for Frost's good behavior in France after his release. It is possible that the police official was looking for evidence on which the authorities at Lorient would be justified in making Mr. Frost's provisional liberty permanent.
Mr. Frost and Mr. Bruce shared a house at Belle Isle and both had passports. Three weeks ago they wrote to Paris for their passports, which had been left in their apartments here when they went to Brittany in July. They explained that they wanted their passports because, since the outbreak of the war, they had been constantly annoyed and subjected to suspicion by the natives of Belle Isle, who are fisher folk.
From what was learned after the arrest of Frost and Bruce, it appears that the Colonel commanding the island, and from the natives about the actions of the two men which made him think that their visit to the wharf to see the prisoners arrive was not due to curiosity alone. The German prisoners on the island, especially the wounded, are allowed considerable freedom, and Mr. Frost, who speaks German, often talked with them. It was also said that Mrs. Bruce had received German prisoners at the house and had given them apples and other things they could not otherwise obtain. As a sample of the credulity of the Bretons it may be mentioned that one story circulated by them is that Frost and Bruce used to go swimming with trawls and their necks to signal to the Germans. A woman charged that she saw the two men entertaining German staff officers, when there are no such officers at the place.
The latest from Belle Isle is that the military governor refuses to disclose the charge against Frost. One of the gendarmes told Bruce that the charge was not Frost was insulting an officer and not espionage.

POLES FLOUT KAISER.

Offer to Replace Belle Rejected as Blasphemous, Says Petrograd.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
PETROGRAD, via Paris, Nov. 21.—The Kaiser has offered to replace the golden crown of the celebrated Virgin of Czestochova, which was stolen by the Germans. The offer has been refused by the Poles as "a blasphemy coming from incendiaries, liars, violators and murderers of women and children."

PARIS FEARS NO ATTACK NOW.

M. Malvy's Visit Indefinite City Is Not Menaced.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
PARIS, Nov. 21.—M. Malvy, the Minister of the Interior, has arrived here from Bordeaux for a visit of several days. His visit is regarded by the newspapers as a sign that events are now considered by the Government to have finally taken a favorable turn and that the German menace of taking the city will never be carried out.
The chief demand which is being put before M. Malvy is the resumption of ordinary transport arrangements for business men and the travelling public.

BANK DEFENDS GERMANY.

Disconto Gesellschaft of Berlin Says "God Is With Us."

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
BERLIN, Nov. 21.—The Bank Disconto Gesellschaft of Berlin has sent a circular to its foreign customers with the object of assuring them of its "irrevocable duty" and enlightening them on the true causes of the war.
The circular throws the whole onus for the war on the Allies. It says: "Archduke Francis Ferdinand of Austria was assassinated through a plot of Serbian officials. Austria demanded reparation. Serbia refused to grant it and Austria justifiably declared war."
Russia, the circular says, opposed Austria's action, and the Czar, meanwhile, asked the Kaiser to intervene in behalf of peace. Germany did not see and would not Russia to suspend her mobilization. Russia refused to do this and opened hostilities without a formal declaration of war, invading German territory. France, according to the circular, replied to Germany's inquiry as to her attitude by mobilizing, invading German territory and throwing bombs on German cities.
"Thus," the circular concludes, "the Franco-German war broke out. If we violated Belgian territory it was because we knew that France was in accord with Belgium to allow the passage of French troops across the Belgian-German frontier. Our conscience is tranquil. Our Chancellor twice offered to compromise with Belgium in all sincerity, but she refused. Justice is with us. God is on our side."

B. Altman & Co.

Timely Sales, Offering Unusual Values, for to-morrow (Monday)

An Extraordinary Sale of Women's Marvex Gloves

will afford an unusual opportunity for obtaining, at very special prices, these fine imported Gloves, made exclusively for B. Altman & Co.

Three-clasp Marvex Glace Kidskin
Gloves, in white, tan or black,
per pair \$1.50

Mousquetaire Marvex Glace Kidskin
Gloves, sixteen-button length, in
white or black . . . per pair \$2.90

A Special Sale of Hosiery for Men & Women

will comprise several thousand pairs,
in desirable qualities, at
exceptional prices.

Women's Black Silk Hose
per pair 62c. & 95c.

Women's Black or White Silk Hose
per pair \$1.25

Men's Black Lisle Thread Half-hose
per half-dozen pairs . . \$1.75

An Interesting Event in the Department
for Women's Ready-to-wear
Suits (Third Floor) will consist of

Chiffon Velvet Suits

(Fur-trimmed)

of choice quality, at the exceptional
price of \$55.00

Several Thousand Yards of All-silk Crepe de Chine

(36-inch)

in evening and afternoon shades, as
well as in white and black, will
be placed on special sale at

78c. per yard.

An Important Sale of Wool Serges & Cloakings

will present a decidedly profitable
opportunity.

Fine Tailor Serge, 54 inches wide,
in navy or midnight blue,
per yard \$1.45

Cloakings, comprising double-faced
cloth, cheviot and velour, all 54
inches wide, at the greatly reduced
price of . . . per yard \$2.90

A Sale of Linens

for Decorative and Practical Use

will prove an interesting feature on
the Fourth Floor to-morrow (Mon-
day) and Tuesday, at appreciable
concessions from previous prices.

Linen Centerpieces, trimmed with
hand-made French Cluny lace,
each \$3.75 & 5.25

Doylies to match, each 30c. & 90c.

Table Cloths of heavy linen damask,
each \$2.25, 2.90 & 3.65

Dinner Napkins to match, per
dozen \$3.40 & 4.90

Sale of Silk Umbrellas and Men's Walking Sticks

will suggest a practical solution of the problem of holiday giving,
with economic advantages to the purchaser.

Men's and Women's Twilled Silk
Umbrellas (sizes 26 and 28 inches),
with handles in natural wood or
mission finish at \$2.00

Men's Twilled Silk Umbrellas (size 28
inches), with sterling silver-trimmed
handles in a variety of styles,
including staghorn, malacca and
mission-finished wood . . at \$2.85

Women's Twilled Silk Umbrellas
(size 26 inches) of superior quality
silk in navy blue, green or black,
with sterling silver-trimmed handles
in various styles at \$3.50

Men's Imported Walking Sticks in
various woods, with Prince of Wales
handles, sterling silver-trimmed;
special at \$1.00

A Sale of unusual interest in the
Infants' Department will present

Little Children's Imported Dresses

(hand-made and hand-embroidered)
at remarkably attractive prices.

Yoke Dresses of mainbock (sizes 6
months to 2 years) at \$1.35 & 1.85
Pique and Linen Dresses (sizes 2 to
4 years) \$1.85 & 3.00

Also Little Children's Coats

(sizes 2 to 5 years) in a variety of
materials and colors, at the special
prices of . . \$5.50, 6.75 & 8.75

French Lace Curtains

of qualities regularly sold at \$7.00
to \$35.00 per pair, will be specially
priced at

\$3.75, 4.50, 5.50 to 16.00 per pair
Also a limited quantity of Imported
Hand-made Fillet Lace Panels (regu-
larly \$35.00 to 65.00 each) at
\$14.00, 16.00, 17.50 to 35.00

Extensive Price Reductions have
been effected in a number of

Misses' and Small Women's Dresses and Tailored Suits

in attractive, seasonable styles.
These have been priced, to make
room for augmentations of stock, as
follows:

Tailored Suits at \$19.50 & 22.50
Silk Dresses at 12.50 & 17.50
Velveteen Dresses . . at 15.00

(Department on Second Floor)

Young Boys' Hats

in several discontinued styles (range
of sizes incomplete) are marked at
much less than the regular selling
prices:

Imported Hats at \$2.75 to 5.00
American-made Hats 75c. to 3.00

THE SEASON FOR HOLIDAY GIFTS

B. Altman & Co. have made unusually extensive prepara-
tions for the season of holiday purchasing, now commencing.
Assembled in the various departments of their immense Store
are vast numbers of attractive articles, both decorative and
utilitarian, that are eminently suitable for gift purposes and
are well calculated to make an equal appeal to donor and
recipient. At this time selections can be made at leisure and
with discrimination, and therefore advantageously. Every-
thing is new and effectively displayed; prices are moderate;
and there is no lack of attentive, efficient salespersons to
facilitate the task of shopping.

The Initiatory Sale of Fur Coats, Muffs & Neckpieces

will comprise a specially prepared selection, representing the dominant
styles of the season and marked at special prices.

Hudson Seal Coats at \$75.00, 95.00 & 125.00

MUFFS	
Skunk	\$28.00, 35.00 & 55.00
Black Wolf	10.50, 16.50 & 18.50
Taupe Wolf	12.50, 18.50 & 21.00
Natural Raccoon	16.50 & 19.50
Hudson Seal	19.50
Kolinski Squirrel	30.00
Sitka Fox	28.00

NECKPIECES	
Skunk	\$11.50, 21.00 & 55.00
Black Wolf	8.50, 12.50 & 16.50
Taupe Wolf	10.50, 14.50 & 18.50
Natural Raccoon	13.50 & 15.00
Hudson Seal	19.50
Kolinski Squirrel	15.00
Sitka Fox	28.00

Also Men's Muskrat-lined Overcoats of Oxford or black broadcloth, with
collar of Persian lamb or Hudson seal at \$52.00

(Fur Department, Third Floor)

An Extraordinary Offering of Women's Coats

newly made, with fur accentuations, and silk-lined throughout,
attractively priced.

Black Velour Coats, belted, with flare skirt and fur-trimmed collar
and sleeves at \$34.50
Putty-color Broadcloth Coats, belted, with flare skirt and high band
collar of fur at \$32.00
Black Broadcloth Coats in front-belt style, with fur-trimmed collar
and sleeves at \$22.50

At the same time a number of Afternoon and Evening Wraps

including both imported and American-made models, originally marked
at \$225.00 to \$675.00, will be reduced to

\$125.00, \$190.00, \$225.00 & \$390.00

An Unusually Attractive Selection of Women's House Gowns and Negligees

to be placed on sale to-morrow (Monday) and Tuesday, at special prices,
will consist of new models and the fabrics in favor for Winter wear.

House Coats of chiffon velvet, with fur trimming; lined with silk and
interlined at \$45.00

Negligees of corduroy, with moulton trimming and silk lining, at 13.75

Negligees of brocaded crepe de Chine, trimmed with swansdown and
lined with albatross at \$8.50

Japanese Robes of tabatai silk, daintily embroidered . . at 6.90

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